

Durham Police Department 2012 Annual Report

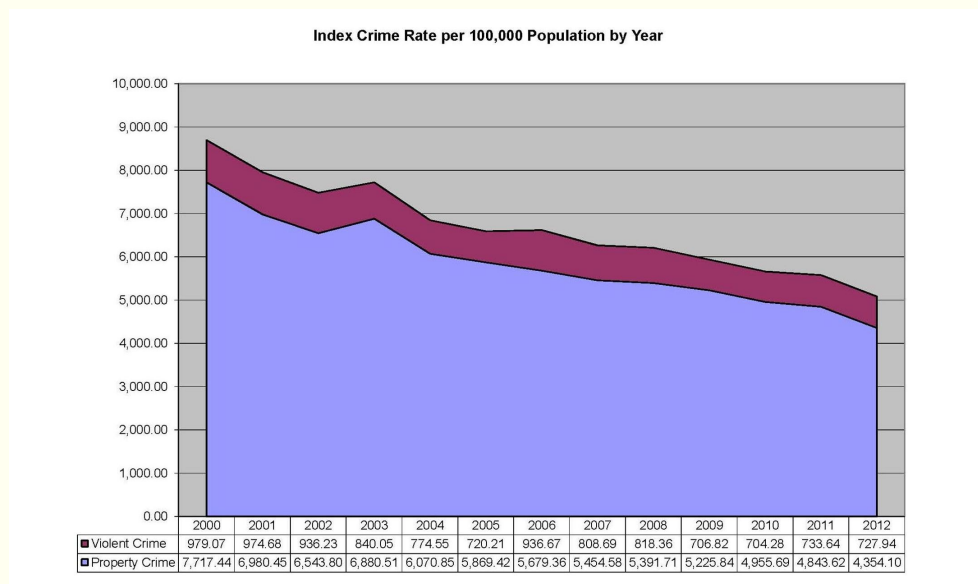




Overall Part 1 Index Crime

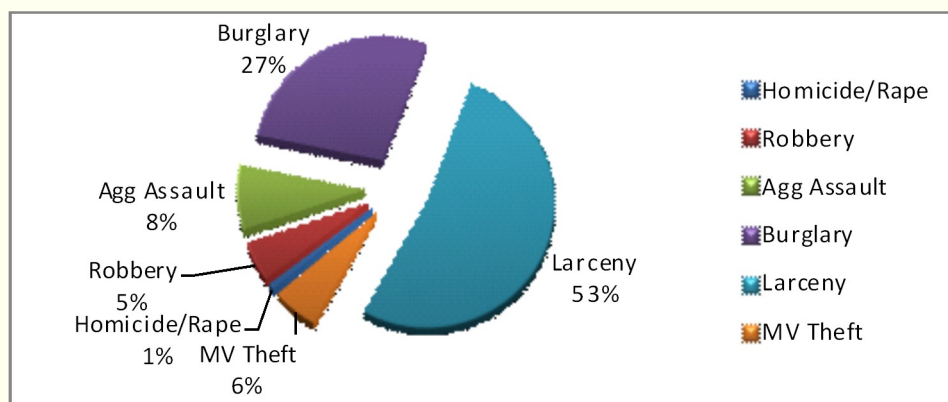
Part 1 Crime – Part 1 crime is the total of violent (murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault) and property crime (burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft). Part 1 crime was at a 23-year low in Durham in 2012, according to FBI statistics. Index crime was down 7 percent compared to 2011. There were decreases in the number of reported homicides, robberies, larcenies, burglaries and overall property crimes. Robberies were at a 22-year low and property crimes and larcenies were the lowest in 12 years.

Part 1 crime per 100,000 population was down 9 percent from 2011 and 42 from 2000.



2011 Part 1 Crime Breakdown

Violent crime offenses made up 14 percent of the Part 1 crime reported in Durham in 2012. Homicide and rape combined comprise less than 1 percent of the overall Part 1 crime. More than half the reported Part 1 crimes—53 percent—were larcenies.





Part 1 Violent Crime

Part 1 violent crime (homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault) was up slightly from 1,712 offenses reported in 2011 to 1,721 reported in 2012, an increase of 9 offenses. Violent crime per 100,000 population dropped 1 percent compared to 2011 and was down 26 percent from 2000.

<i>Part 1 Violent Crime</i>	<i>3-Year Avg</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2011-12 % Change</i>
<i>Homicide</i>	24	24	26	21	-19%
<i>Rape</i>	69	67	66	73	11%
<i>Robbery</i>	663	666	701	621	-11%
<i>Aggravated Assault</i>	934	877	919	1005	9%
<i>Violent Crime</i>	1689	1634	1712	1721	0.5%

Homicides – There were 22 homicides reported in Durham in 2012. One homicide was cleared as self-defense so the official number reported is 21 homicides. There were 19 actual incidents (two cases involved two victims). The 22 victims included 18 males and four females. The victims ranged in age from 13 to 81 years old (three victims were teens). Nineteen victims were shot and three died as a result of blunt force trauma.

Arrests have been made in 15 cases and the self-defense case was exceptionally cleared. Sixteen people were arrested on murder charges and half of them—eight—were teens. The ages of those arrested ranged from 12 to 48 years old. Investigators made arrests in four cases from prior years and two additional cases were exceptionally cleared.

Rapes – The Durham Police Department formed a Special Victims Unit in January 2012 to focus on crimes involving sexual assaults. The number of reported rapes increased in 2012 and that number included sexual assaults from prior years reported in 2012. Approximately 18 percent of the cases were domestic.

Robberies – Robberies were at a 22-year low in 2012. Approximately 81 percent of the robberies were committed against persons or during home invasions during 2012. Almost half of the robberies were committed in streets or parking lots. There were six bank robberies in 2012.

Aggravated Assaults – The number of aggravated assault incidents increased by 9 percent in 2012. (The Durham Police Department's official statistics are based on the number of potential victims, not the number of actual incidents).



Part 1 Property Crimes

Reported Part 1 property crimes (burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft) were the lowest they have been since 1988, due in part to the decreases in the number of larcenies and burglaries. The property crime rate per 100,000 population is down 10 percent from 2011 and 44 percent from 2000.

There was a significant 15 percent drop in burglaries during 2012. In the fall of 2011, we implemented the Residential Awareness Program (RAP) initiative to target burglaries. Each week our Community Resource Unit officers provide information about recent burglaries and target areas. Officers go door to door in the target areas and pass out burglary crime prevention information to residents. We have received valuable information during RAP canvasses that helped investigators make arrests in several cases.

<i>Part 1 Property Crimes</i>	<i>3-Year Avg</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2011-12</i>
<i>Burglary</i>	3622	3687	3881	3298	-15%
<i>Larceny</i>	6709	7046	6775	6305	-7%
<i>Vehicle Theft</i>	672	719	607	691	14%
<i>Property Crime</i>	11003	11452	11263	10294	-9%

We have continued to focus on larcenies, which accounted for more than half – 53 percent – of our Part 1 crime in 2012. Officers made numerous arrests involving metal thefts and in many cases they were able to make the arrests because someone had called 911 to report suspicious activity.

Burglaries – Approximately 90 percent of the burglaries were to residences and in more than 17 percent of the cases entry was not forced. The most commonly stolen items included computer hardware/software, jewelry, precious metals, electronics, tools and cash.

Larcenies – Larcenies were at a 24-year low in 2012. More than 40 percent of the larcenies were from motor vehicles or involved vehicle parts. Approximately one-quarter of the larcenies involved shoplifting. The most stolen items included camera equipment, phones, jewelry, computer hardware/software, purses, tools, money and vehicle parts.

Motor Vehicle Thefts – Motor vehicle thefts were up approximately 10 percent in 2012, following a 10-year low in 2011. The most stolen vehicles were Hondas.



Property Crime Operations

Chop Shop Operation - Durham police officers located a large chop shop operation in a warehouse at 706 Ellis Road in September. One person – Samer Fakhri Othman, 35, of Durham – was arrested on multiple felony charges. Officers discovered the warehouse after tracking a Lojack activation on a stolen vehicle to a 25,500-square-foot warehouse complex in the 700 block of Ellis Road where they found two stolen vehicles. Investigators then obtained a search warrant for a warehouse at that location and found a large “chop shop” operation. Officers located more than two dozen stolen vehicles. They have also found four wrecker trucks and stolen auto parts from at least 50 vehicles. North Carolina DMV inspectors and investigators from the National Insurance Crime Bureau and the Federal Bureau of Investigation assisted in the investigation.

Organized Retail Theft Operations - Durham police investigators arrested three people in November in connection with a three-month undercover operation targeting organized retail theft. The operation was launched after investigators received complaints that stolen goods were allegedly being sold at certain businesses. Those goods included cigarettes, toothpaste, razors, Tide detergent, baby formula, hats, sodas and other items. Investigators served search warrants November 15 at the following locations: Holloway Mini Mart at 1026 Holloway Street, A&B Grocery at 105 South Guthrie Avenue and Twin Mini Mart at 2022 Angier Avenue.

Ten people were charged in April with a total of 25 felony and 44 misdemeanor charges following a two-month undercover operation targeting organized retail theft. Investigators served search warrants at seven locations and seized 24 firearms, drugs, one vehicle, more than \$14,000 in cash, two illegal poker machines, more than 100 cartons of cigarettes, large quantities of non-taxpaid and/or stolen alcohol, counterfeit merchandise, numerous stolen items and drug paraphernalia (glass tubes with roses inside). Organized retail theft investigators from Walgreens, CVS, Kroger and Food Lion also participated in the operation.

The search warrants were served at Chandler’s Towing Service at 1314 East Club Boulevard, The Spot 2 at 2534 South Roxboro Street, Goodfellas Urban Wear at 2534 South Roxboro Street, Southside Tobacco at 1103 South Roxboro Street, Two Brothers Convenience Store at 3310 Dearborn Drive, Tobacco Town II at 1000 North Miami Boulevard and an apartment at 219 South Alston Avenue, Apt. B-4.

Shoplifting accounted for approximately one-quarter of all larcenies reported in Durham in 2011 and 2012.



Part 1 Crime Clearance Rates

The FBI clearance rates are for cities the size of Durham with populations of 100,000 to 250,000. The FBI 2011 clearance rates are the most updated statistics available.

The Durham Police Department's clearance rates were above the FBI clearance rates for all Part 1 crime categories in 2012.

The department's goal was to have a violent crime clearance rate of 45 percent and a property crime clearance rate of 22 percent. We met our property crime goal and significantly exceeded our goal for violent crime clearance.

Crime Category	DPD 2012	DPD 2011	FBI 2011 (100-250K)
Homicide	90.5%	53.8%	63.5%
Rape	46%	68.2%	39.4%
Robbery	31.9%	32.4%	28.3%
Agg Assault	59.7%	59.9%	53.6%
Violent Crime	49.5%	48.9%	44.5%
Burglary	15.5%	17.8%	11.3%
Larceny	26.6%	25.2%	20.7%
Vehicle Theft	14.4%	17.5%	9.9%
Property Crime	22.2%	22.2%	17.5%

Clearance rates for a given period are determined by the number of offenses reported to police compared to the number of offenses cleared. A clearance could come from a crime reported in a prior period, and a crime reported in the current period could be cleared in a subsequent period. The Police Department's clearance procedures are based on UCR reporting guidelines issued by the FBI and are the same for all law enforcement agencies.

Response to Priority 1 Calls

There were 3,345 Priority 1 calls for service from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 (records are kept by fiscal year rather than calendar year).

The Police Department's target Priority 1 average response time is 5.8 minutes. The actual average response was slightly above the target at 5.9 minutes.

The department's goal is to respond to at least 57 percent of the Priority 1 calls in under five minutes. The department responded to 53.8 percent of the Priority 1 calls in less than five minutes, which did not meet the goal.



Staffing Levels

The Durham Police Department's 514 sworn positions were fully staffed at the end of 2012. The Police Department's civilian staffing level was at 91 percent with 107 out of 117 positions filled at the end of 2012.



2012 Recruiting Unit Activities

- ◆ Several recruiting promotions were featured on DTV8 and YouTube
- ◆ During 2012, the Durham Police Department's Recruiting Unit coordinated the hiring of 46 recruits for two Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) academies
- ◆ Recruiters attended 95 job fairs, obtained 3411 contact cards through various recruitment efforts, hosted 44 open houses for 771 attendees, conducted written and fitness tests for 300 applicants and completed 117 background investigations.

Recruiting officers and background investigators developed several new programs to make the hiring process more efficient and effective.

- ◆ Investigators attended a Department of Justice training on CJ Leads, which is a new software investigative tool that allows background investigators to receive updates on applicants entered into the State system. If an applicant is arrested after they are entered into the system, the background investigator will receive an email update from the State.
- ◆ Investigators also attended forensics training on fingerprinting to expedite the hiring process.
- ◆ A recruiting database was created to aid in tracking applicants and contacts. Currently a background investigation database is being established.
- ◆ Officers worked with early hire recruits to help them prepare for the BLET academy with morning exercise, mentoring and some study preparation in coordinating with training personnel



Part 2 Crime Statistics

2010-2012

Statistics Provided by Durham Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit

	2010	2011	2012
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	583	628	670
ARSON	29	19	63
COUNTERFEITING	55	35	48
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	64	64	85
DRUG VIOLATIONS	1645	1602	1783
DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED	510	460	488
EMBEZZLEMENT	121	118	125
FORGERY	109	105	137
FRAUD	1167	1235	1266
GAMBLING	2	0	1
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION	10	25	48
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY	71	91	114
PORNOGRAPHY	9	4	3
PROSTITUTION	70	86	43
SEX OFFENSE	136	156	170
SIMPLE ASSAULT	1571	1653	1822
STOLEN PROPERTY	60	57	41
VANDALISM	2421	2197	1835
WEAPONS VIOLATION	295	285	303
Grand Total	8928	8820	9045



2012 Juvenile Arrests

Statistics Provided by the Durham Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit

2012 Juvenile Arrests/ Petitions by Age/Crime												
2012 Arrests/Petitions/ Ages	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Grand Total
Aggravated Assault								3	6	2	21	32
All Other Offenses				1	2		6	16	14	54	78	171
Burglary					1	3	6	8	12	23	31	84
Disorderly Conduct								2		2	2	6
Driving While Impaired										2	1	3
Drug Violations							1	11	6	32	69	119
Embezzlement											1	1
Forgery/Counterfeiting										1		1
Fraud								2	2	3	10	17
Homicide						1		1		2	2	6
Larceny			2		3	16	21	33	34	68	61	238
Liquor Law Violations								3		5	1	9
Non-Reportable Offenses							1	1	7	1	5	15
Offenses Against Family										1	2	3
Rape								1		1		2
Robbery						1		4	9	11	16	41
Sex Offenses						2	3	5	1	3		14
Simple Assault	1		1	1	3	3	4	13	10	23	31	90
Stolen Property		1	2			1	2	6	10	7	18	47
Vandalism			1	1	2	3	1	4	2	17	17	48
Weapon Violations	1		1	1			1	2	11	11	18	46
Grand Total	2	1	7	4	11	30	46	115	124	269	384	993



Part 1 Domestic Violence Crimes

The Durham Police Department formed a Domestic Violence Unit in 1997. Detectives assigned to this unit investigate domestic violence cases, promote a communitywide response to the issue of domestic violence and collaborate with other agencies to effectively reduce the instances of domestic violence in our community. The Domestic Violence Unit also seeks to assist the victims of domestic violence and the children living in their households.

	2010	2011	2012
Homicide	1	9	4
Rape	12	12	13
Robbery	8	17	15
Aggravated Assault	230	218	274
Violent Crime	251	256	306
Burglary	82	74	58
Larceny	59	88	108
Vehicle Theft	13	11	9
Property Crime	154	173	175
Index Crime	405	429	481

Warrant Round-Up

Officers from the Durham Police Department, Durham County Sheriff's Office and N.C. Community Corrections arrested 62 people on a total of 169 charges (91 misdemeanors and 78 felonies) during a warrant roundup on June 6 and 7. Among the felony charges were drug trafficking, drug possession, breaking and entering, various fraud charges and identity theft. Officers recovered two firearms and confiscated marijuana and cocaine.

The names of more than 400 people wanted on felony and misdemeanor charges were published in the June 6 edition of The Herald Sun and a special telephone tip line was set up for the operation.

Traffic Fatalities

The number of fatal traffic accidents rose from 7 in 2011 to 13 in 2012.



Date	Location	Impairment	Primary Cause
01/02/12	Hillandale/Synnotts	No	Walking in Road
02/17/12	Hillsborough/Neal	No	Walking in Road
03/07/12	Fayetteville/Hanson	No	Speeding/Failure to Yield
03/26/12	Angier/Driver	No	Speeding/Red Light
03/31/12	Roxboro/Olympic	No	Safe Movement
05/13/12	Alston/Lawson	Yes	Speed/Alcohol/Red Light
05/30/12	Glendale/Clark	Yes	Speed/Impairment
08/12/12	Lincoln/Dupree	No	Walking in Road
08/26/12	Holloway/Rummel	Unknown	Crossing Street/No Crosswalk
09/15/12	Clayton/Glenrose	Unknown	Speed
10/21/12	NC 55/Dakota	Yes	Speed/Alcohol
10/29/12	Camden Avenue	No	Ran Off Road
12/10/12	NC 751/Calibre Park	No	Ran Stop Sign on Bicycle

Information provided by Durham Police Department Traffic Services Unit



Special Operations Division (SOD) 2012 Highlights

- Three prostitution operations
- Four drug buy-bust operations
- 601 drug interdictions
- 200 long term drug investigations
- 120 raids
- 215 knock and talks
- 48 firearms seized
- 856.8 grams of crack cocaine seized
- 5,643.7 grams of powder cocaine seized
- 275.45 grams of heroin seized
- Approximately 135 kilograms of marijuana seized
- 190 grams of methamphetamine seized (the most seized in four years)
- 191,420.5 dosage units of other drugs seized
- 294 narcotics arrests on a total of 2,221 charges



Operation Medicine Drop – During the summer the Durham Police Department installed a permanent drop box where people can discard expired and unused over-the-counter and prescription medications.

The drop box is located in the front lobby of Durham Police Headquarters, 505 West Chapel Hill Street. There is a desk officer on duty in the lobby 24 hours a day/seven days a week.

The medications will be disposed of in a safe and non-hazardous manner. All drop-offs are completely anonymous.

The purpose of the medication drop box is to help prevent accidental poisonings and abuse.

The Durham Police Department also participates with other agencies twice a year in Operation Medicine Drop operations to encourage proper disposal of medications.



Confiscated Firearms

	2010	2011	2012
Handguns	542	509	465
Other Firearms	3	1	1
Rifles	92	95	73
Shotguns	93	98	103
Total Firearms	730	703	642

Integrated Ballistics Identification System (IBIS) Hits

There were 14 confirmed IBIS hits in 2012, which is more than the two prior years combined. The numbers went up in 2012 due in part to our new departmental firearms examiner's work in the firearms lab. She does preliminary testing like function tests and test fires which helps expedite the IBIS submissions at the state lab. The Police Department's firearms lab opened in 2011.



2012 K-9 Unit Statistics

- 1,262 Canine deployments
- Recovered \$371,477 worth of cash and drugs
- Assisted other agencies on 52 occasions
- Recovered 24 handguns used in crimes or discarded by fleeing suspects
- Recovered property valued at \$9,701
- Located 41 suspects on tracks and searches
- Presented 50 programs/demonstrations



Forensics Services Unit (FSU) 2012 Highlights

- Answered 2,807 calls for service; 17 for other agencies
- Completed 479 other requests from the Criminal Investigations Division and the District Attorney's office
- Printed 2,011 photographs
- Made 38 presentations/training including a half-day 4-H Forensic Camp, three summer forensic camp tours and interactive sessions for the Friends School and multiple career/science day school presentations in Orange and Durham counties
- Spent 215 hours in court
- Spent 1,521 hours in training
- Examined 18,718 fingerprints and identified 342 persons, including 195 suspects
- Processed 434 guns
- Examined 611 digital evidence/video items
- Hired a temporary part-time latent print examiner
- Rebecca Waller earned her International Association for Identification (IAI) Latent Print Examiner certification
- Donna Jackson became a qualified Firearms Examiner
- Carina Bitticks-Alston and Joy Narowski became International Association for Identification (IAI) certified crime scene investigators
- Started ISO accreditation process

Property and Evidence Unit

- Accepted 18,936 items into custody, including 363 firearms and \$374,776.46 in cash
- 1,415 items were released to owner or other
- 209 unclaimed and confiscated bicycles were given away to nonprofit organizations before Christmas
- 10,237 items were destroyed
- 269 items were auctioned
- Plans approved and construction began on a renovated space where all property, evidence and operations will be consolidated (the move will be made in March 2013)
- Hired three retired officers to temporarily assist with projects and move preparation
- Two training classes given to the Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) academies
- Two training classes given to First Line Supervision courses
- Forensics Services Manager Angie Shuff was elected President of the NC Association for Property and Evidence. Portia Sidberry was elected Sergeant-at-Arms for same organization.

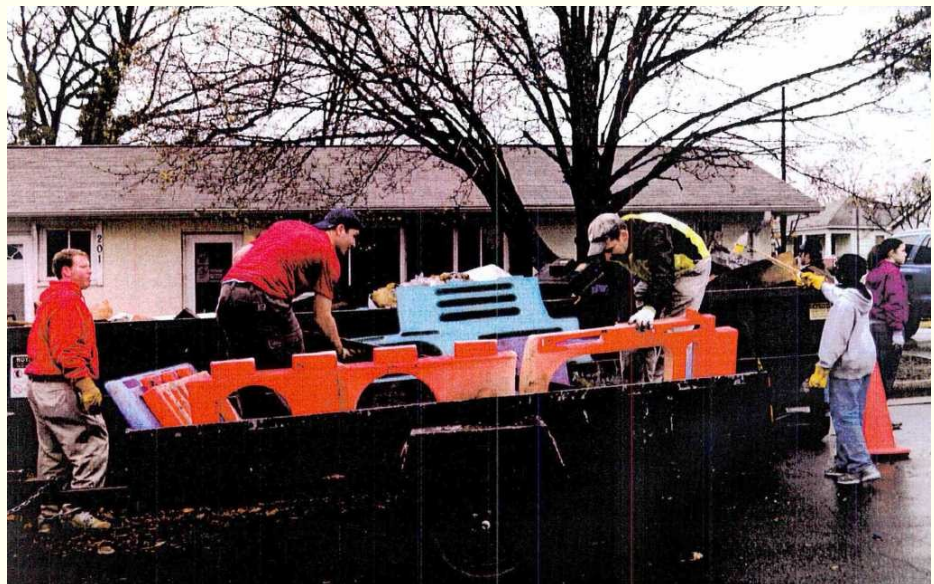


PTO Program/Neighborhood Portfolio Exercises

Police Training Officer (PTO) Program – The Durham Police Department implemented the Police Training Officer (PTO) program in 2009 to replace the Field Training Officer (FTO) program to train recruits. New officers now undergo an additional 17 weeks of PTO training that includes time accompanied by a training officer and an independent phase as a new officer on patrol. The PTO program focuses on problem-based learning and community policing.

During 2012, 85 recruits participated in various phases of the PTO program. This included recruits from three BLET academies and one ALET academy.

The Neighborhood Portfolio Exercise (NPE) is the final step in a recruit's training to show that they can use critical thinking skills through the problem-based learning process to solve a job-related problem in their district or beat area. Officers came up with several innovative and useful ideas for their projects and the department has adopted several of the initiatives. Some of the most notable projects included:



Neighborhood Clean Up Project – Officer Joshua Harris conducted a neighborhood cleanup on the Southside community. He went door to door in a section of the neighborhood and spoke to the residents about the trash and garbage in their yards. He was able to get some of these people to place this trash at the curb for pick up. He then enlisted local churches, City workers and local residents to assist him in an all-day cleanup of the area. He was also able to get City inspectors to look at different areas where the residents were not cooperative and was able to use their help in getting that area clean as well. Officer Harris removed a large amount of waste and garbage and improved the quality of life in the neighborhood.



PTO Program/Neighborhood Portfolio Exercises

Afterschool Mentorship Program – Officer Michael Frels worked the Hoover Road housing community management to set up a place for young children to go after school to complete their homework and study. He conducted this afterschool program several times a week for the duration of this exercise. He was able to teach and tutor a large number of children. Durham police officers, interns from North Carolina Central University and parents assisted with this project. In addition to tutoring, this program provided a safe alternative place to go instead of hanging out on the streets. This also gave the children and officers a chance to work together in a positive way. This project helped residents in the neighborhood know that the officers care about them and the community.



Safe Cards - Officer Andrew Hayes created a “safe card” to record serial numbers, model numbers and descriptions of items purchased. He also was able to work with a local Wal-Mart to pay for the printing and distribution of these cards. Officer Hayes believed that customers would be more likely to record serial numbers and other important information if the card was given to them when they made their purchases. This information will assist in locating these items later if they are stolen.

Apartment Identification - Officer Jefferson Graham took on the project of labeling apartments and buildings in a local apartment complex to make them more visible to emergency responders. He was able to construct several different kinds of numbers that are easily seen day and night. He also met with the management at the apartment complex to put these numbers in place. The numbers were highly visible and met the low cost needed by the apartment to get this project completed for each building.

Security Phones – Officer Kendrick Hunter’s project involved looking into the placement of security phone towers in the Central District. He was able to get a representative from a company to drive here from South Carolina and help him with an assessment of the area. He also came up with different ideas to supplement the cost of each tower by letting the downtown businesses assist with the cost. These towers consist of emergency phone, audio, video and also can come equipped with AED for emergency use.



In-Car Cameras – In 2012, the Information Technology Division implemented phase 2 of the Police Department’s transition to Coban in-car video camera technology. This involved outfitting front-line vehicles in Districts 1, 3, 4 and 5 with the new cameras as well as



installation of wireless infrastructure components at our district substations. The wireless network allows for automatic upload of new videos when vehicles park at any of our facilities with access points associated with the Coban system.

The video camera system was installed in marked patrol cars in District 2 and the Highway Interdiction Unit during 2011. The in-car cameras help protect officers as well as citizens and can be assets in court cases. Asset forfeiture funds were used to purchase the new system.



New Patrol Cars— During 2012 the Police Department selected new patrol cars. For many years, the Durham Police Department used Ford Crown Victorias for their cruisers but Ford announced they would no longer be producing these cars. Officers test drove two new patrol cars – a Dodge Charger and a Chevrolet Caprice - for several months. After feedback from officers and evaluation from the Fleet Management Department, the Police Department decided to purchase the Chargers for our fleet. We will gradually add the new Chargers as we phase out the old cars.



Mental Health Outreach Program (MHOP)/ Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Unit Activities

Calls for Service - During the first year the Police Department saw an increase in calls for service – more than 3,500 - which involved underlying mental health and substance abuse issues. Our grant goal was to serve 150 persons under the entire grant, and to date we have over 1,300 persons entered into our database. In 2011, the department developed a new mental health coding system so that the department better identify such calls.

CIT Banquet - The fifth annual Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) recognition banquet was held in November and Officer Dakota Beck was honored as the CIT Officer of the Year. A mother of one of our MHOP clients spoke about the impact of this team's efforts with her son. She said that her son had 23 hospital admissions and multiple jail encounters before being served by the MHOP team. She stated that her son is now attending a community college and is a thriving member of society.

MHOP Success Stories

A pregnant woman in her 20s was offered services for substance abuse and mental health after being arrested and charged with solicitation for prostitution. She had been encountered by the MHOP team during the first prostitution sting in 2011 and refused services. During this second encounter she realized that team members were still there for her and took advantage of services. Six months later she is clean, receiving mental health services, and is the proud mother of a baby boy. She stays in contact with the team every couple of weeks to give an update and even sent a Christmas card to the team thanking us for believing in her.

A homeless veteran with dual diagnosis was arrested and charged with setting small fires. He was referred to the MHOP team by the investigators after they interviewed him and realized he needed services. The veteran agreed to services and was treated by the VA and was placed in a halfway house. Multiple contacts were made by the investigators, the MHOP team, the Fire Department and the Veteran Advocate to help the veteran. His charges were deferred and the veteran was placed on probation for one year to ensure continuation of mental health and substance abuse treatment. ***(Mental Health and service connection training for investigators and Fire Department personnel provided by this grant was instrumental in getting this veteran the treatment he needed).***





MHOP/CIT Highlights

- The unit trained 284 persons in 2012 in Mental Health 101, Trauma, Resources, Adolescence, and Self-Care using Justice and Mental Health Collaboration (JMHCP) funding from the U.S. Department of Justice. Those trained included law enforcement officers, correction officers, firefighters, recruits, school personnel and advocates.
- The unit completed 100% of the Fire Department First Responder Training
- Four 40-hour CIT training classes for law enforcement officers were held in 2012
- There are 1,300 persons entered into the MHOP/CIT database (with our entire grant goal of serving 150 with 800 referrals)
- There were more than 3,500 mental health calls for service in 2012 (each of those considered a referral for the MHOP/CIT unit)
- MHOP conducted 5,500 contacts (phone, in-person and collateral) and made 1,288 agency referrals to 209 collaborative agencies in 2011-2012.
- MHOP employees made presentations to the Citizens Police Academy, the Durham Police Faith Summit (33 partnering churches), Durham Housing Authority Summit, Religious Coalition for Non-Violent Durham, and others in 2012

Prostitution Initiative - Under this grant the Prostitution Initiative was created. This is a collaboration with our special crime enforcement teams and the MHOP team who reached out to every female arrested for prostitution or a related crime. During 2012, two prostitution stings were conducted, and a total of 19 females were offered services. We have had three women who have been successful in making changes in their life situations



Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)

PSN FaithActs – During 2012 Project Safe Neighborhoods developed the *FaithActs* initiative, which was designed to strengthen police-faith community partnerships by deepening relationships between DPD commanders and Durham’s spiritual leaders, raising awareness about human service programs and community safety strategies, and increasing participation in crime prevention and citizen engagement initiatives. Thirty-three congregations from across the city agreed to be the Durham Police Department’s *FaithActs* partners.



The initiative started at a kick off breakfast in March where district commanders and members of the executive command staff became acquainted with partner pastors and discussed public safety and crime trends. The initiative concluded with a community worship service at Duke Chapel in November.

The PSN coordinator sent monthly updates to pastor partners. These updates included information from district commanders,

announcements regarding citizen engagement opportunities, and bulletin inserts related to safety strategies and human service programs. Members of partner congregations were encouraged to attend the Victims Rights March, the Peace Officers Memorial Service, the National Day of Prayer observance, Community Responses, National Night Out, and Citizens Police Academy. Pastors were also encouraged to participate in ride-alongs with DPD officers in their communities.

Half-day workshops (called *Faith Summits*) were held for the members of our 33 partner congregations in June and September. Session topics included domestic violence, mental health, gang involvement, home safety and security, fraud, and the Department’s Special Victims Unit. Quarterly evaluation measures have reflected that over 3,000 Durham residents have received safety information as a result of this initiative.



Police Athletic League (PAL) Mentoring Program – The Durham Police Department’s Police Athletic League (PAL) program, using a national PAL grant, started a mentoring program last fall at Eastway Elementary School and C.C. Spaulding Elementary School for approximately 20 students. They are hoping to soon start the program at W.G. Pearson Elementary School. DPD volunteers, both sworn and non-sworn, work with the students at school and teach them a specific character-based education curriculum. The volunteers also spend time doing activities with the children and a field trip is planned for April. The purpose of the program is to build positive relationships with the students and provide them with role models. Feedback from teachers and guidance counselors at the schools has been encouraging.

PAL Sports Leagues—The Durham Police Department’s Police Athletic League (PAL) program fielded basketball, soccer and baseball teams during 2012. There were two PAL basketball leagues – one for elementary school students that included 21 teams from nine Durham schools and another summer league for teens ages 15 to 18. The soccer league included 18 teams made up of 1st and 2nd graders and 3rd through 5th graders. Twenty-two teams participated in a baseball league.

G.R.E.A.T. Summer Youth Camp - The Durham Police Department held three sessions of its one-week G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Training And Education) Summer Youth Camp during 2012. Campers learned about three areas of the criminal justice system: law enforcement, the courts and the penal system. They also took field trips to the Durham County Jail, the Teen Court program and Falls Lake and participated in sports activities.

Guest speakers from the criminal justice field gave classes on character building, gang resistance and drug resistance. Officers from the Motor Unit, the Selective Enforcement Team (SET) and other units provided demonstrations. The free camp sessions were open to youths ages 11 to 14.



Crime Prevention Activities

Police Vs. Seniors Olympics—During Crime Prevention Month in October, sworn and non-sworn employees participated in the popular Seniors vs. Police Olympics at the Durham Center for Senior Life. Games include Wii sports, dominoes, pool, checkers, chess and ping pong.



American Tobacco Trail/Trail Watch – Following several incidents during the summer on the American Tobacco Trail, the Police Department purchased three utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) for use on the Trail and other locations throughout the city.

The three Polaris EFI 500 utility terrain vehicles cost a total of approximately \$32,000 and were purchased with asset forfeiture funds. The vehicles have been outfitted with police red and blue lights as well as sirens and are clearly marked as police vehicles. The vehicles can seat two officers and have a large compartment in the back to carry equipment.

A Trail Watch program, similar to a Neighborhood Watch program, was formed during the fall so volunteers could patrol the Trail and note activities. There are approximately 35 volunteers in the Trail Watch program and they logged 120 hours on the Trail in November and December and 68 hours in January.



Several City departments, including the Police Department, have worked closely together to enhance safety on the Tobacco Trail. Officers conducted more than 800 directed patrols on the trail during the last half of 2012.

Crime Victims' Rights Week Social and March Against Violence - The National Crime Victims' Rights Week Social and March Against Violence was held on Thursday, April 26 at Durham Police Headquarters. An art project designed by family members of homicide victims to honor their loved ones was displayed during this event.





National Night Out - August 7, 2012

Durham once again had a successful National Night Out event in August. Three communities – University Estates Community Watch, Azalea Park Apartments and Audubon Park Homeowners Association – won NNO All Star Honors. Durham’s NNO celebration was ranked 14 among 135 competing cities of comparable population across the country.

The City of Durham Police Department debuted on the NNO awards scene in 2006 and each year following has consistently ranked among the nation’s top 20 participating communities in category 2 (population 100,000 to 299,000).



National Night Out, observed annually on the first Tuesday in August, is America’s Night Out Against Crime.

The observance is designed to: 1) heighten crime, drug and violence prevention awareness; 2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; 3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and 4) send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

For more information at National Association of Town Watch, visit the Association’s website at www.nationalnightout.org.

